CCJJ FULL COMMISSION

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Committee:	CCJJ COMMISSION				
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Date:	Tuesday, April 15, 2003	Time:	3:00 PM	Place:	Governor's Board Room
Members Present	Mike Sibbett, Chief Val Shupe, Gregory G. Skordas, Reed Richards, Dan Becker, Blake Chard, Sheriff G. Lynn Nelson, David Yocom, Kay Cornaby, Judge Sandra Peuler, Creighton Horton, Mike Chabrias, Richard McKelvie				
Members Excused	Gary Anderson, Judge Kay Lindsay, Karen Hale, Robert Flowers				
Staff	Ed McConkie, David Walsh, Reg Garff, Ron Gordon, Doreen Weyland, Mike Haddon, Pat Mason				
Visitors	Russ Van Vleet				
Agenda Item:	Welcome – Mike Sibbett				
Notes:	Mike Sibbitt welcomed and thanked	d everyon	e for coming.		
Agenda Item:	Web Site Overview - Mike Haddo				
Notes:	Mike Haddon presented an overview of CCJJ Web Site, showing some of the changes and showing how to navigate on it and demonstrating some of the content that is posted on the site. www.justice.utah.gov is the web site address. The focus has been moved more towards the citizens rather than the people working in criminal justice. Some of the items on the web site are: Citizens, information on how to not become a victim USAAV Home page Sentencing Home page Sentencing Home page Crime Victims Reparation Criminal Justice Consortium Crime Statistics by locality Local Crime information Application for joining a Neighborhood Watch. Drug Nuisance Home is a pamphlet USAAV just put out. All of this is in line with providing more information for citizens about criminal justice. Other items on the web site include: Annual Reports News Letters Legislation Web Justice links Research Reports Grants				

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Post Cards will be sent out, with a summary of what information is available on the web, to
legislators, city councils, county commissions, the media and law enforcement to remind them of
the information that is available.

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Agenda Item:	Presentation to Afton Bradshaw – Mike Sibbett			
Notes:	Mike Sibbitt presented to Afton Bradshaw an etching as a token of CCJJ's thanks, that said; To Representative Afton Bradshaw in recognition and gratitude for your exemplary leadership, wise			
	contributions, and delightful presence, from The Commission on Criminal and Juvenile Justice. Mike said it was all very true. She was invited to come back any time. She thanked everyone and			
	said she especially missed seeing the people on the commission.			
Agenda:	Vertical Coordination – Ed McConkie			
Notes:	Ed presented a summary of the conclusions from the annual meeting in Oct 2002. Now the next			
1100051	steps are: 1. Explore the idea of tracking all state secure beds on a county, by county bases. 2. Planning between state and counties as far as budgetary planning, including city councils. 3. Study, endorse and lead the way on re-entry and other appropriate community alternatives including federal alternatives.			
	Ed explained that in this context Dan Becker made a motion, which is verbalized as follows; the Commission on Criminal and Juvenile Justice endorses the concept in philosophy of re-entry programs as advanced by the Department of Corrections. CCJJ will study the capacity and treatment issues at the state and local levels and affirmatively make recommendations at the front and back ends of the adult system. Second: by Representative Bradshaw. It was unanimously passed.			
	Ed wanted to remind everyone that this is our new emphasis. Ed feels there is great room to improve with the county commissions and city councils, and also the Chiefs and Sheriffs Associations. To illustrate this, Ed had a color diagram and flow chart showing how the offenders pass through the judicial system indicating that the state and local systems cross but the budget does not follow from local communities to state entities. There is very little budget coordination, if any, between state and local systems. We are the only formal created entity that has the task to coordinate between the state and the locals on these issues.			
	Ed suggested the next step was to figure out what is going on out there, so the staff & executive committee decided to put together a research taskforce which would include Mike Haddon, Cliff Buttar and Mike King. Ed said he has approached the locals more, and said he has been invited to attend the Sheriff's Association meetings and had presented this concept to them. He also attended the EDI meeting in St George. He has also been in contact with a few county Commissions and they like our ideas.			
	Mike Haddon said one of the key issues of the local perspective is criminal behavior by parolees, re-victimization and the effect it is having on law enforcement resources.			
	Chief Val Shupe suggested that one of the biggest problems he hears from cities, towns, elected officials and chiefs is the funding, who is going to pay for an effective re-entry program if we have one?			
	Ed said this is such a big issue that it is going to be a regular item on the agenda each month.			

It will also be a key issue in the Sunset Review because CCJJ is the only entity that will follow these issues and work on a solution.

Mike Sibbet said that the resources are one key but also another important key is how they are allocated. Are there adequate resources for the supervision for those on probation and those on parole? Another review should be, whether we have adequate resources to put these offenders in jail or prison and keep them there as opposed to being in the community on probation. If we don't have adequate resources for that, these are issues that we need to look at all the way back to statutory laws that may need to be changed so that we can afford the criminal justice system that we have. This is a heavy undertaking but something that we need to try to do.

Val reported that there is a program now where local police and parole boards are getting together when a parolee arrives in a community. The police will now know who is in their community

Dan suggested that we should stay focused on the issue of re-entry.

Ed suggested that we could go beyond CCJJ Membership for a sub-committee purpose.

Mike Sibbitt made the motion to create a sub-committee, to look at the narrow focus of re-entry, as was passed in the October Meeting.

Second: Dan Becker It passed.

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Federal and National Funds – Dave Walsh

Notes:

Dave provided a chart showing what the President has tried to put in his plan. He said that for the first time, in a long time, the Federal Government has provided a budgetary road map for FY2004. Some of the money in the Department of Justice is down by 1.3 billion. The chart shows some of the things that have happened.

- **STAT:** This is the program where the state of Utah (plus some of the counties) have received money to help pay the costs of incarcerating illegal aliens and they are proposing to eliminate it.
- **JUVENILE PROGRAMS**: Will stay about the same.
- **JAIBG**: This was a program for local law enforcement. We usually get \$2.5million and most of that money goes to the courts and Youth Corrections. Changes will be coming for the \$1.4million that goes to Youth Corrections for Community Placement Programs.
- **BYRNE**: The local law enforcement program has been consolidated into a new program called JAG, we don't know how they will allocate this money? In the past we have received \$4.5million in BYRNE money.

Ed said while attending a NCJA meeting in Washington D.C., he asked what he should go back and tell his people in Utah about the budget cuts. One probable answer is that there won't be any matching money, in other words, the state won't have to match the funds. It would be a significant win for the state and locals. Ed is on the Board of Directors of the National Criminal Justice Association and they met all the next day where, the State Administration Agents decided on a two-fold strategy: The first strategy is to go to our own state representative and explain the results of what has been done with BYRNE money in our state; The Second part is they are putting together a packet so when congress reconvenes they will have all the information and can see the results of all 50 states in an accumulative effect in fighting crime, which will be rather significant. There will also be a big lobbying effort from other entities.

Dave mentioned in regard to the state budget, that there had been a presentation made to the Executive Appropriations Committee by the Fiscal Analyst Office, that in the last 18 to 24 months, there has been \$73million in reduced revenue, which is a big decrease. They also thought they had \$20million surplus and it now appears we only have a \$3million surplus.

Mike Sibbitt reported that as Chairman of The Board of Pardons, he had informed the legislation that The Board of Pardons was not only having difficulty lowering the prison population below operational capacity but are bumping up against the maximum capacity and they would need to open more beds and that he was giving notice of this problem. Corrections has developed a contingency plan of opening two different units if need be. They would start with Promontory, at Draper, and then a new wing at Gunnison that has been built and never staffed. This is a contingency plan in the event that the numbers that we are seeing creep up to that maximum bed limit. Corrections felt they had to make the plan and make the announcement to the Governor and The Executive Appropriations, to put them on notice.

Mike Sibbett passed out a proposed amended version of the October Annual Minutes on re-entry with early release.

Dan made a motion to approve the minutes as amended.

Second: Judge Lindsey

Motion Passed

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Sunset Review - Ed McConkie

Notes:

Ed reported that the House Leadership was not satisfied with our Sunset Review two years ago and wanted to accelerate it from 2012 to 2004. So, CCJJ will embrace it and show all the good work that we do, and that we are pressing forward in vertical coordination, re-entry study, grant management, research and that CCJJ is doing more now than we have ever done before with a smaller staff.

Kay Cornaby suggested that we add more legislators on CCJJ. He wondered if it would help to approach the legislature and talk to them about getting a better balance from the House and Senate.

Ed said he would talk to key legislators and then we could address their concern.

Dave explained in 1999 there was a performance audit of CCJJ as a criminal justice agency so that may be part of it.

CCJJ will need to replace Afton Bradshaw.

Dan suggested that we find someone who has a lot of interest in this program and has a position of some prominence in the legislature.

Agenda:	Other – Mike Sibbett
Notes:	Mike announced that the Executive Committee of CCJJ would be screening applications for a new full time member of The Board of Parole. The Executive Committee will meet and
	go over the applications and then submit five names to the Governor for the appointment.
	Meeting Adjourned.

The next meeting is scheduled for June 17th.

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